गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद मकबूल डार): (क) से (ग) भारतीय संविधान की सातवीं अनुसूची के अनुसार "पुलिस" राज्य विषय है। देश के विभिन्न भागों में भ्रष्टाचार के आरोपों में पकड़े गये पुलिस कार्मिकों की संख्या के संबंध में केन्द्र सरकार केन्द्रीय स्तर पर कोई आंकड़े नहीं रखती है। तथापि, केन्द्र सरकार अपनी कार्यप्रणाली को और अधिक पारदर्शी बनाने की तथा यह भी सुनिश्चित करने की आवश्यकता है कि भ्रष्टाचार के दोषी पाये गये पुलिस कार्मिकों के विरुद्ध सख्त और त्वरित कार्रवाई की जाए।

Bomb blasts and communal clashes in Tamil Nadu

855. SHRI S. MUTHU MANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of bomb blasts reported in Tamil Nadu during the last six months;

(b) what is the total number of communal clashes reported during the above period;

(c) whether the Central Government had requested that State Government to maintain the law and order situation in the State; and

(d) if so, what was the assurance recieved from the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) As per available information there were 43 bomb blasts and 23 communal clashes in Tamil Nadu during the last six months.

(c) and (d) Under the Constitution 'Public Order' and 'Police' are state subjects. The primary responsibility for maintenance of law and order, therefore, directly devolves on the state governments. The Central Government also remains in touch with the state governments and constantly monitors and reviews the situation. As and when necessary, suitable assistance is provided to the state governments in the form of modern weapons, deployment of para-military forces and financial assistance for modernisation of Police Forces etc.

Differences over extradition of accused from UAE

856. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether differences have been sorted out regarding extradition of several accused from the United Arab Emirates;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the action taken to hold joint meeting with Interpol to sort out the differences?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) The matter was discussed with UAE delegates at the General Assembly session of the ICPO-Interpol held in New Delhi from 15-21 October, 1997. They have assured that to facilitate extradition of fugitives from India and vice versa UAE would like to conclude a comprehensive treaty with India for extradition of fugitives and mutual legal assistance in criminal matters. Ministry of External Affairs is pursuing this matter with Government of UAE and a UAE delegation is visiting New Delhi on 24-25th November, 1997 for negotiations for finalising these bilateral agreements.

(c) There is no proposal at present for a joint meeting with Interpol. However, all extradition matters are being pursued through them and diplomatic channels.

Crimes on Trains

857. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the action plan proposed to check crimes on trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): 'Police' and 'Public Order' being State subjects as per the Seventh Scheduled of the Constitution of India, the registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime, including the crime on trains, is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. It is also for the State Governments to draw up action plans to check